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PADUCAH BRANCH

DIVISION 2 – ELEMENTARY GRADES 4 - 5

SUBMISSION TYPE: ESSAY

PROMPT

Dr. Martin Luther King taught important lessons about kindness, unity, respect, and fairness. He believed these values could make our world a better place. Write an essay about how you and your classmates can make your school a place where everyone feels loved, respected, and valued. As you write your essay, think about the following questions:

- **UNITY** – How can you and your classmates work together to make sure everyone feels included and part of the school community? Can you think of ways to help new students feel welcome? How can you show that you are all part of the same school family?
- **RESPECT** – What does it mean to treat others with respect? How can you show respect to your classmates, teachers, and school staff? What are some examples of kind words or actions that show respect to others?
- **FAIRNESS** – Why is it important to treat everyone fairly? Can you think of ways to ensure everyone has a chance to be heard or participate in activities? How can you stand up for what is fair and just in your school?

1st Place - \$50

2nd Place - \$35

3rd Place - \$25

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR POSTER

1. Go to <https://www.paducahnaacp.com/hargrove-king-essay-poster-contest/>
2. Click on “Student Resources”.
3. Enter the student’s name, school, and grade.
4. Upload a .pdf, .jpeg, or .png file of the poster.
5. Click on “Submit”.

SCORING RUBRIC

Click on the link below to view the scoring rubric that will be used to evaluate all posters:

[Hargrove-King Essay Scoring Rubric](#)